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For: ELECTRONIC KEY SYSTEM FOR VEHICLE

**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITED ART**

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We are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated May 18, 2004.

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Applicants hereby respectfully request that:

- (1) the appropriately acknowledged PTO-1449 be furnished to Applicants; and
- (2) the record be clarified to confirm that the cited art has been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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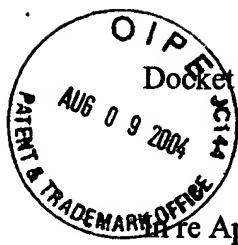
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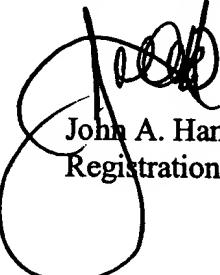
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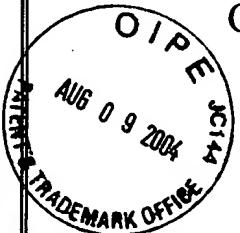
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